

My heart goes out to Lilly's family, including her parents Arnold "Buff" and Johnnie, as well as her siblings Sarah, Ben and Nathaniel. On behalf of the people of the First Congressional District of the State of Rhode Island, I offer my most sincere condolences and deepest sympathy in this difficult time.

COMMENDING THE PEOPLE OF
DOUGLAS COUNTY AND THE
DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS

HON. DAVID SCOTT

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the people of Douglas County and the Douglas County Board of Commissioners for designating October as Douglas County Behavioral Health Month.

Millions of Americans have behavioral health challenges. Unfortunately, many go without needed behavioral health treatment. The goal of Behavioral Health Month is to "Stomp the Stigma", the negative attitudes and behaviors toward individuals with behavioral health challenges. Stigma can lead to lack of understanding by friends, family, and coworkers. It can also lead to bullying, harassment, or physical violence. As a result, many individuals are reluctant to seek behavioral health care, isolate themselves, or have feelings of shame and insecurity.

This October, the Douglas County Board of Commissioners is uniting schools, religious organizations, military and veterans' organizations, and healthcare and legal professionals. Together, Douglas County is working to increase awareness and understanding of challenges, reduce stigma and discrimination, and promote accessible services for individuals with behavioral health challenges.

Please join me in commending the people of Douglas County and the Douglas County Board of Commissioners for their efforts to increase awareness about behavioral health challenges and "Stomp the Stigma".

IN RECOGNITION OF PATRICIA
AND PETER GORES

HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Patricia and Peter Gores of Mumford, New York. They recently donated a more than 100-year-old clock which had been a centerpiece in the Gores' family home for more than 40 years. The clock was manufactured in New York State by the Self-Winding Clock Company, built with casing made from Quarter Sawn Oak, and remains in good working condition to this day. This clock was formerly located in Rochester, New York, at the Claude Bragdon train station where it served as the New York Central Railroad's Master Clock to ensure a consistent time among the clocks around the station. The donation of this clock will allow it to be proudly displayed in Rochester's new train station.

The Claude Bragdon station opened its doors in 1914 and was a paragon of design. This station was where our community bid farewell to local soldiers as they were sent to serve our nation. It was a gathering place for suffragettes organizing for the right to vote. It was also where our community welcomed dignitaries, including Presidents. This clock represents that era and the importance rail travel has played in our nation's history.

While the Claude Bragdon station is no longer standing, Rochester opened the doors to its brand new train station this fall which borrows heavily from the design of the old station. The new state-of-the-art, ADA compliant station will dramatically improve service for the more than 130,000 passengers that utilize passenger rail in Upstate New York. Whether you're a student traveling to Rochester to attend one of the great colleges or universities or an entrepreneur visiting the city for the first time, this Master Clock will stand as a reminder of Rochester's proud history.

On behalf of the Rochester community, I want to thank Patricia and Peter Gores for their generous donation and commitment to returning the Master Clock to its former home.

HONORING CHASE KELSEN

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Mr. PANETTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Chase Kelsen for his attainment of the rank of Eagle Scout in Troop 614 of the Boy Scouts of America on the central coast of California.

At the age of just 16, Chase represents a personification of our nation and its values. He has demonstrated this through his service as First Sergeant with the Civil Air Patrol's Squadron 36 and his graduation from Non-Commissioned Officers School. These are difficult tasks and are a testament to Chase's fortitude and leadership capabilities. His sense of duty also goes beyond our nation's borders. He has spent considerable time teaching sustainable farming techniques and building orphanages abroad in places such as Mexico and Nicaragua.

Chase's tireless work and dedication to go far beyond what is expected of an Eagle Scout Service Project, the task required to be awarded the rank of Eagle Scout. His Eagle Project included building a crosstie and wash station for horses used in hippotherapy at the Pediatric Therapy Center in Aptos, California. During hippotherapy, the rider uses the movements of a horse as a type of physical therapy. With these new additions, the center will be better able to help children with disorders such as cerebral palsy develop greater posture, coordination, and a stronger sense of control over their bodies. The crosstie and washroom took over eight hundred and sixty-five hours to construct and cost over \$20,000. Chase was able to acquire the cost of the project solely through donations, an impressive feat at any age. Facilities like these are deeply needed in the central coast of California and each improvement or addition to existing facilities serves to make our community that much stronger. Through his efforts, Chase has produced a positive, tangible impact on the place he calls home.

It is young women and men like Chase that will become leaders in our communities. His commitment to serving others and his sense of duty to our country and the world is something that deserves the highest recognition and praise. Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in congratulating Chase Kelsen.

RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 22ND, 2017 AS NATIONAL
CHEMISTRY WEEK

HON. DANIEL LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of National Chemistry Week.

As co-chair of the Congressional Chemistry Caucus, along with my friend Congressman Moolenaar, I am pleased to take this opportunity to draw attention to the chemical sciences. This year marks the 30th anniversary of National Chemistry Week, an initiative of the American Chemical Society that highlights the contributions that chemistry makes to science, education, and the economy. The theme of this year's Chemistry Week is "Chemistry Rocks," celebrating geochemistry, which is the study of the chemical makeup of rocks, gems, and minerals. Geochemists do the underlying science that drives our oil, gas, and mining industries, and they are active in diverse fields such as water quality, public health, space science, and materials research.

I want to recognize the nation's chemists for their service to the country and their critical role in the economy.

HONORING THE SAN BENITO COUNTY
LEAGUE OF UNITED LATIN
AMERICAN CITIZENS

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Mr. PANETTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the San Benito County League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) on the occasion of its thirty-year anniversary. For three decades, San Benito County LULAC has worked to advance civil and political rights and open economic opportunity to the Latino population of San Benito County. Founded in 1987, LULAC was the first organization whose primary objective was the advancement of civil and political rights for the Latino community. Since its founding, San Benito County's LULAC chapter has regularly mobilized its members to defend the rights of Latinos and to establish a forum for discussing community issues. They have made great progress in achieving these goals.

At the core of LULAC's mission is the belief that education is the foundation for the growth and success of the Latino community. San Benito County LULAC sponsors numerous educational initiatives in support of its mission to advance the academic opportunities of the Latino community. One such initiative is the Young Adult Council. Since its formation in 1989, San Benito County LULAC's Young

Adult Council has been instrumental in advancing the achievements of Latino students across the county by providing scholarships to over 175 students. The Young Adult Council works to provide the same support to its student members enrolled in universities and higher learning institutions throughout the state of California. Similarly, San Benito County LULAC's Young Readers Program works to promote reading comprehension skills within the Latino community. San Benito County LULAC's dedication to promoting educational success and opportunity helps make the American dream accessible to all.

In addition to its educational initiatives, San Benito County LULAC also works to encourage civic engagement among the Latino community in the county. One example is their voter registration drive, which drives greater participation in local races and local politics. Encouraging political engagement also helps defend Latino voting rights. San Benito County LULAC provides the Latino community of San Benito County with a valuable platform to discuss their needs and concerns.

For three decades, San Benito County LULAC has stood as a beacon for a large portion of the Latino community in my district. The organization's 30 years of work have been indispensable in making the American dream a reality for many people in my district. I would like to commend them for setting an example of community service in our district for 30 years. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating the San Benito County League of United Latin American Citizens for 30 years of excellence and service.

REMEMBERING LILLY CHACE

HON. MARK SANFORD

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Mr. SANFORD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Elizabeth "Lilly" Chace. She was a remarkable young woman from Providence, Rhode Island who I had the pleasure of knowing over the whole of her life. She died on October 12th of this year at the tender age of 28 and was buried today. I pause not only to remember her life, but out of love and respect for her parents, Buff and Johnnie Chace.

I also rise because it's in these moments that we think about life and how we might live it more abundantly. How we might make each of our lives count. How we might be a blessing to others and make the most of our time here on earth. I think that the short life that Lilly lived offers insights into each of those areas and, for that reason, believe that a moment of reflection is worthwhile.

She did two things I want to do more of in my life.

One, she did not idly watch it pass by. She lived it. She seized it. I remember years ago, upon the death of Malcolm Forbes, the front page read that "while alive, he lived." I think that this would be a pretty good description of the way that Lilly seized life and the way that I'm inspired to do the same with an example like hers. In fact, Eleanor Roosevelt said "the purpose of life is to live it, to taste experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experience."

Indeed, Lilly walked across the glaciers of Patagonia, rode camels through the Moroccan deserts, and ventured into the Alaskan wilderness. I had not seen her much since she was a child, but by all accounts, she had more than an adventurer's spirit and the merit badges to go with it. It has made me think about how I might add in living more richly the years I have before me.

Two, she was all heart. I have on more than a few occasions tied myself in knots over-analyzing some situation before me; but again by all accounts, this was not her nature. She listened to that voice that we all have inside and ran with it. I think the old saying is "people don't care about how much you know, until they know about how much you care." As humans, we ultimately respond to the heart in each other much more than the technicalities of debate talking points. In thinking about her death, I have considered more than a few times about how I might live with a bit more heart and passion the task that's now before me in this chamber. And I think this idea would be worth a bit of focus and collective soul-searching, given the enormity of the issues that face this body.

I point these things out not only because I believe they're worth our shared examination and thought but because I wish so much I could be with the Chace family today in Providence. That's not possible due to this vote we're taking on the budget, but I rise to honor Buff and Johnnie and to say farewell and God-speed to their daughter Lilly.

IN HONOR OF DENNY ZANE'S 70TH BIRTHDAY

HON. JULIA BROWNLEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Ms. BROWNLEY of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize a true visionary leader and my dear friend, Denny Zane, on the momentous occasion of his 70th birthday. Over his career which spans more than four decades, Denny has been a tremendously effective and tireless advocate for the critical investments necessary to meet our region's infrastructure and transportation needs that indispensably keep our communities and its residents moving and thriving.

Denny has been a true public servant with an unwavering commitment to serving others. He has served as a city councilmember and well-regarded mayor of the City of Santa Monica, as the director of the Coalition for Clean Air, as a local teacher, and perhaps his most profound impact has been made as the founder and executive director of Move LA.

In conjunction with his 70th birthday, this year also marks the 10th anniversary of Move LA. The organization was founded to provide adequate funding sources to develop a clean, efficient, and robust transportation system for Los Angeles County. The formation and establishment of Move LA was no easy task, but Denny provided the right vision and leadership to coalesce a cohort of influential and adept stakeholders from the business, labor, environmental, and political leadership from throughout Los Angeles. There are very few individuals in this world that could bring this movement together, but Denny did and did so successfully.

Most recently, with extraordinary foresight and initiative, Denny led the campaign and was instrumental in the passage of Measure M, which will generate billions of dollars and one day erect the world's most modern transportation system for Los Angeles. This "smart growth" will enhance the city's global competitiveness, significantly increase the region's economy, and improve air quality and traffic congestion as well as promote environmental sustainability.

Additionally, through Denny's unwavering passion and the powerful advocacy of his organization, Los Angeles' voters passed local measures that will raise \$350 million per year to fund essential services and resources and housing opportunities for the county's most vulnerable and homeless populations.

Denny's notable leadership and unfailing hard work has strengthened our community as a whole, and for that we owe him our ardent gratitude.

For these reasons, it is with great enthusiasm that I offer Denny my heartfelt appreciation for his many years of remarkable service. I would also like to express my most sincere congratulations on the occasion of his 70th birthday. I am so happy to join his family, friends, and colleagues in celebrating this milestone with him. I wish him many more happy years to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF EMILY BUCKMAN'S SERVICE TO KENTUCKY'S SECOND DISTRICT

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to give my sincere thanks to Emily Buckman, who will be moving on from my office at the end of this week to serve at the United States Department of Agriculture. What is a loss for my office is a major gain for the administration, and I wish her all the best.

Emily grew up in Marion County, Kentucky, where her parents still operate their family's farm. Emily began her Washington, D.C., career during a summer internship with my predecessor. She came back to D.C. after graduating from Campbellsville University to intern for my office. She came on as staff in 2010 and has been promoted several times. Emily has been dedicated to the Second District of Kentucky ever since then, and her commitment to serving her fellow Kentuckians will be missed.

IN HONOR OF LORRAINE MERRILL, COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

HON. ANN M. KUSTER

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Lorraine Merrill as she retires after a decade of service as Commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Agriculture. The people of the Granite